



# Newsletter

## 19th Annual Graduation Ceremony “Ensuring a Sustainable Future”

The Institute of Banking and Finance of Trinidad and Tobago (IBF) held our 19th Annual Graduation Ceremony on Wednesday 26th, July 2023. The accomplishments of 62 graduates were recognised from the following programmes: The Professional Certificate for Financial Advisors (Cert. FA); Diploma in Banking (DIB); Chartered Banker MBA (CBMBA) and the Certified International Risk Manager (CIRM). The Council and Management and Staff of IBF wish to congratulate our 2023 Graduates on their achievements!



(L-R): Professor of Practice, Dr. Sterling Frost O.R.T.T., Group Deputy CEO, Operations & Administration, First Citizens delivered the Feature Address and Mr. Richard Downie, President, Bankers Association of Trinidad and Tobago (BATT) delivered Welcome Remarks on behalf of BATT.

### Outstanding Graduate Awardees



(L-R): Ms. Sasha Thomas, First Citizens – Valedictorian & Excellence – Banking Specialization and Mr. Anthony Lancaster, First Citizens – Excellence – Banking Specialization

# OUR GRADUATES

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## PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE FOR FINANCIAL ADVISORS PROGRAMME: SPECIALIZATION: BANKING

### FIRST CITIZENS

Kristen Alleyne  
Everlyn Bain-Roberts  
Neela Badoo  
Inga Belcon  
Alisha Bethelmy  
Neela Bhaggan  
Yenka-Marie Cruickshank  
Melissa De Souza  
Darlene Derrick

Deisha Durity-Ramkissoon  
Ronella Forde  
Diandra Harry Santokhie  
Jibrán Jahoor  
Leigh-Marie Jagroop  
Roslyn Jawahir-Mayhrai  
Anthony Lancaster  
Stacy Lewis  
Franziska Matthews

Christine Nelson  
Beverly Pierre  
Alana Rampath  
Cheryl Rampersad  
Keesha Ramnarine  
Arielle Richards  
Chris Samuel  
Harrichand Sooknanan  
Sasha Thomas

### REPUBLIC BANK LIMITED

Tyron Carter  
Salma Rooplal

### RBC ROYAL BANK (T & T) LIMITED

Gerard Camejo

### RADIO 91.9 FM

Shanelle Webb

### CENTRAL BANK OF TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

Andrea Crosby

### TECU CREDIT UNION CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED

Leston-Tre Collins

# OUR GRADUATES

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## PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE FOR FINANCIAL ADVISORS PROGRAMME: SPECIALIZATION: MUTUAL FUNDS

### TRINIDAD & TOBAGO UNIT TRUST CORPORATION

Laurann Branche  
Alicia Doyle  
Nisha Dookie-Maraj  
Nicole Haye  
Tamara Rose

### REPUBLIC BANK LIMITED

Chenique Castro  
Kesusa Jones La Caille  
Roshad Ramsewak  
Dominic Sooklal

## PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE FOR FINANCIAL ADVISORS PROGRAMME: SPECIALIZATION: SECURITIES

### CANNING'S EMPLOYEES' CREDIT UNION CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD.

Asha Baksh

## DIPLOMA IN BANKING PROGRAMME: CERTIFICATE LEVEL

### REPUBLIC BANK LIMITED

Ceronne Caine  
Racheal Nancoo  
Delia Nandlal  
Nicolas Tom Yew  
Tonya Tom Yew  
Lisa Toussaint

### TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO MORTGAGE FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Michelle Toussaint

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## DIPLOMA IN BANKING PROGRAMME: DIPLOMA LEVEL

### FIRST CITIZENS

Rachell Khan  
Joanna Rampersad

### REPUBLIC BANK LIMITED

Sade Alexander  
Crystal Coombs  
Diann Hoyte-Charles

## CERTIFIED INTERNATIONAL RISK MANAGER

### ANSA MERCHANT BANK LIMITED

Michael Blache-Fraser

### CARIBBEAN FINANCIAL GROUP LIMITED

Shenara De-Peza Walton

### RBC ROYAL BANK (T & T) LIMITED

Tonya Prince

### UNICOMER TRINIDAD LIMITED

Candice Sherryl Phillip

### FIRST CITIZENS

Stacy Lovell

## CHARTERED BANKER MBA

### HOME MORTGAGE BANK

Brent Mc Fee

### SCOTIABANK (T & T) LIMITED

Petal Maingot

# CBMBA GRADUATE INSIGHT

*Mr. Brent Mc Fee, Chief Executive Officer, Home Mortgage Bank  
Chartered Banker MBA Graduate 2022/2023*

My decision to pursue the Chartered Banker Master in Business Administration (CBMBA) programme was indeed a rewarding experience. I am a Chartered Accountant by profession and obtained an Executive Masters in Business Administration from the Arthur Lok Jack School of Business, however, working in a financial institution at the C-suite level, I had a burning desire to identify a programme specific to banking that provided the theoretical foundation to have a deeper understanding in managing risks specific to the banking environment and industry.

This search led me to the CBMBA programme offered in partnership with the Institute of Banking and Finance of Trinidad and Tobago, the Bangor Business School and the Chartered Banker Institute, a global professional education body for bankers, based in the UK.

The Chartered Banker MBA, the 'Master in Business Administration (Chartered Banker)' degree immediately peaked my interest and was the best fit for my knowledge aspiration, as it would allow me to gain the dual award of a top MBA and the 'Chartered Banker' status –

the highest professional award available to bankers worldwide. Based on my previous qualifications, the programme allowed me to take the 'super accelerated' route for completion within 12 months, this was also a big factor in choosing to pursue the qualification along with the blended learning which was also key in studying during a pandemic.

The virtual classroom allowed access to key resources, this along with the blended learning that included live interactive sessions with lecturers facilitated the journey in completing the CBMBA.

The support staff was always accessible in the event support was needed for any technical issues. The lecturers were also readily accessible for any guidance needed to facilitate learning.

With conviction and confidence, I endorse the CBMBA programme for any aspiring banking professional to pursue. The theoretical framework creates the foundation on which the knowledge gained through one's banking experience is developed and embellished.

# UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

## Credit Assessment & Proposal Writing Two (2) Day Online Training Workshop

September 13th & 14th, 2023

Facilitator: Mr. Andre Falby

\$2340.00 plus VAT

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

CPD Hours: 12

Reg. Deadline: Sept. 7th

## A-Z in Mortgage Financing Two (2) Day Training Workshop

September 26th & 27th, 2023

Facilitators: Mr. Mario Young; Mr. Richard Beckles; Mr. Mark Farrell

\$3000.00 plus VAT

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

CPD Hours: 12

Reg. Deadline: Sept. 18th

## Leading at Every Level - Leadership Program for Managers & Supervisors

October 11th & 12th, 2023

Facilitator: Mrs. Joel-Ann

Cook-Walcott

\$2500.00 plus VAT

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

CPD Hours: 12

## Recruiting 101: Steps to Recruiting Effectively Half-Day Online Training Workshop

October 18th, 2023

Facilitator: Ms. Verena Chang

\$900.00 plus VAT

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

CPD Hours 3

Reg. Deadline: Oct. 9th

## Environmental, Social, Governance (ESG) Fundamentals Two (2) Half-Day Online Training Workshops

October 19th & 20th, 2023

Facilitator: Mr. Ricardo Lewis

\$1800.00 plus VAT

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

CPD Hours: 6

Reg. Deadline: Oct. 9th

### SOFT - SKILLS

- ◆ Time Management Strategies
- ◆ Leading at Every Level: Leadership Program for Managers and Supervisors
- ◆ Supervisory Management
- ◆ Coaching and Mentoring
- ◆ Change Management
- ◆ Public Speaking and Presentation Skills
- ◆ Emotional Intelligence
- ◆ Public Speaking and Presentation Skills
- ◆ Work-Life Balance and Wellbeing
- ◆ Customer Service
- ◆ Administrative Professionals
- ◆ Sales Training
- ◆ Business Writing and Communication
- ◆ Boosting Productivity

### TECHNICAL

- ◆ Advanced Treasury Management
- ◆ Credit Assessment and Proposal Writing
- ◆ Debt Recovery and Delinquency Management
- ◆ Foreign Exchange and Derivatives
- ◆ Project Management
- ◆ Anti-Money Laundering/Counter Financing of Terrorism
- ◆ Enterprise IT Security and Cyber Security in the Cloud
- ◆ Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies
- ◆ Essentials of Finance for Business Decision Making
- ◆ Financial Planning
- ◆ Investment Management
- ◆ Portfolio Management
- ◆ Enterprise Risk Management

## TRAINING TOPICS 2023

## OUR TEAM

**Chief Executive Officer:**  
Marsha John

**Training & Business Development Officer:**  
Camille Applewhaite

**Administrative Officer/  
Programme Coordinator:**  
Sharia Ahamad

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